

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

RUDAKOV, L.V., ET AL.

APPLICATION No.: 09/935,417

FILED: AUGUST, 22, 2001

FOR: **COMPOSITE EXPANDABLE DEVICE WITH
POLYMERIC COVERING AND BIOACTIVE
COATING THEREON, DELIVERY
APPARATUS AND METHOD**

EXAMINER: LAM, ANN Y.

ART UNIT: 1641

CONFIRM. NO: 9486

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application,
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111

2. Extension of Time:

☒ Applicant requests a three-month extension of time.

3. Fees *The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when RCE is filed.*

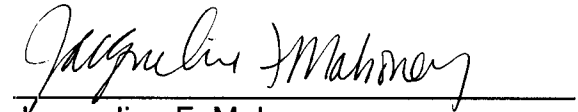
a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
\$395.00 (small entity)

☒ Three-month extension of time
\$510.00 (small entity)

b. ☒ The Director is here by authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or refund any over payment to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,
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